



## Description of the Mayfield Bikeway Project

### *a. How the bikeway fits into KBBC's vision statement:*

Many of our town's residents are bicyclists, walkers or runners. They engage in these activities for both recreation and fitness but are reluctant to rely on cycling or walking as a primary form of transportation because most of our roadways aren't designed for their use. We are working to develop a non-motorized transportation infrastructure that better accommodates their needs. The result will be a network of safe multi-use pathways where cyclists and pedestrians can commute through town without being exposed to motorized vehicular traffic.

Safety and bicycling awareness are the major components of our Bikeway project. Our Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant proposal includes funding for signage at major crossings on highways but does not cover the fifty safety signs needed at street crossings throughout the remainder of the route. The Paula Nye request is for funds to purchase this additional signage.



Our multi-use bikeway network will connect the County Fairgrounds in the north part of Mayfield with Kess Creek Park and the YMCA facility in the south. The network will join all of the public parks in town along with the elementary, middle and high schools, the county library, senior centers and major shopping areas. The bikeway will utilize widened sidewalks along city rights of way, marked bike lanes with permanent curbed planters as physical boundaries, marked lanes with flexible poles embedded in the pavement and, most importantly, protected crosswalks at major intersections. It will be well lighted and well patrolled so that citizens will feel safe while commuting at any time of day or night. It will be a social and economic benefit to our town as it attracts "bicycle tourists" along with people seeking a town with progressive transportation facilities in which to relocate a business or in which to retire. It will also help promote revitalization projects in semi-blighted areas through which part of the bikeway travels.

*b. New project or continuation of a current one:*

This is a new project. The extent of the route will be determined by the amount of funding received in this initial grant cycle.

*c. Who will be responsible for the project:*

Mayor Teresa Rochetti-Cantrell will be responsible for the program on behalf of the City. Ric Watson, board member of the Mayfield Graves Tourism Commission and director of the local Icehouse Gallery, which sponsors several cycling events each year, will serve as coordinator for the project. A team of additional engineers and consultants will help with the project.

*d. One-time project or ongoing:*

This will be a one-time project of significant scope. Maintenance of the Bikeway in the future will be conducted with local resources.

*e. Measuring results:*

The success of the project will be measured by the number of cyclists and pedestrians who routinely use the network for transportation and recreation. It will also be measured by the effect of the project on tourism income.